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My dear friend,

Dolebury Bucks Co. Penn: 1st mo 13th, 30

I am requested by the "Buckingham
female Anti Slavery Society" to transmit to thee
for publication in the "Liberator" two resolutions
adopted by that society at its last stated meeting,
the first of which thou wilt perceive relates to the
mooted question of nonresistance, a question, which will
doubtless, shake the anti Slavery ranks from the ex-
-tremest limits of Maine in the east, to the Loosey
city of Alton on the "father of waters" in the west.
It is a question, about which abolitionists in our region
have no dispute, indeed, they never supposed for a
moment that abolitionists any where, starting as they
did with the peaceful "declaration of sentiments" on
their tongues, would prove recreant to the doctrines
of that declaration, until the recent outrage at
Alton, and the consequent justification, ^{by many in high places} of the
apocryphian defence made there, has painfully and
fearfully undeceived them, fearfully I say, for, how=
=ever the doctrine of nonresistance, so fully and unequivocally
expressed in that instrument, may be explained
away by the executive committee of the American
Anti Slavery Society, and its accredited organ the
"Emancipator" there are hundreds of abolitionists with
whom this question is a matter of conscience, and who,
if they had understood the declaration as now expoun=
=ded could never have given their names to the present
organization, may more, if the explanation now given

Write the paper with A. C. Grimké's letter on the Alton murder now not received
at our N. O. 3 Confidential waiting - J. P. May Jr

by the Executive committee is to govern the future operations of the American society, - if the funds of the society, or any part of them is to be appropriated to the erection of bulwarks of carnal defence, the inference is clear, that such abolitionists can no longer ^{conscientiously} act as constituent parts of that society -

In the cause of peace and righteousness,
they joined

P. P. Magill

At a stated meeting of the "Buckingham female Anti Slavery society" held the 13th of 1st mo. 1838, the following preamble and resolutions were adopted. the first unanimous-
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Whereas, we have learned, with surprise, regret, and humiliation, that Abolitionists have not unanimously adopted the christian principle of non-resistance, and believing that our enterprise, apart from this is fraught with dangers incalculable, and that on it mainly depends its ultimate success; for in as much as it is a moral contest, the weapons of our warfare should be such as are spiritual only, and therefore mighty through Him who is mighty to save to the uttermost, all who put their trust in him - therefore,

Resolved, that it is the duty of such Abolitionists as unite with the preceding sentiments to express them without delay, and to use their best endeavours to promulgate

The glad tidings of Peace on earth and good will
to all men, that thereby the hand of violence may
be stayed, and the sword put up into its sheath.

Resolved, that, as we depend on the dissemination of truth
for the overthrow of slavery, as also for the reformation
of all that is wrong in human affairs; and as we
deem the "Liberator" edited by W. L. Garrison at
Boston especially the promulgator thereof, we subscribe
for four copies of that paper for gratuitous distri-
bution -

One word to the publisher, I enclose the
amount of one years subscription for 5 copies of
the Liberator to be directed as below. I leave home
tomorrow for the annual meeting of the state society
at Harrisburg, I shall take this letter with me
perchance I may have an opportunity of sending it
from thence, if not, I shall send it by mail, and
avail myself of the privilege of an accredited
agent not paying the postage.

Jonathan P. Magill

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| o v Joshua Dungan | Richboro' P. O. Bucks Co. Pa.. |
| o v Stephen Twining | Dolington P. O. _____ |
| o v Martha Smith | Danboro' P. O. _____ |
| o v Elizabeth H. Betts | Buckingham P. O. _____ |
| o v Beulah Ann Smith | do. |
| o v Jane Johnson | do. |



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